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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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## **Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawings have a line quality that is too light to be reproduced (weight of all lines and letters must be heavy enough to permit adequate reproduction) or text that is illegible (reference characters, sheet numbers, and view numbers must be plain and legible) see 37 CFR 1.84(I) and (p)(1)); See Figure(s) 3, 8.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• Additional claim fees of \$108 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

## **SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$558 for a Small Entity

- \$385 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$108
  - \$108 for 12 total claims over 20.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Notice of Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed May 5, 2004, submitted herewith are:

- 1. Return copy of Notice of Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
- 2. A Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a);
- 3. A Petition under 37 CFR 1.41(a) and check in the amount of \$130 to cover required fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i);
- 4. A check in the amount of \$2340 to cover the fee of \$2080 required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a), the processing fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i), and the surcharge fee of \$130 required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e); and
- 5. A return Receipt Postcard.

A continuation application, claiming priority to the above-referenced application, is being filed concurrently herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b).

Please retain the referenced application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f). If a required petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is not included herewith, please treat this paper as a petition for the extension. The Director is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessitated with this communication to Deposit Account 13-4900.

Respectfully submitted,

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